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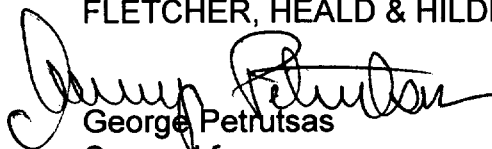
Dear Ms. Salas:

On behalf of LMR 900 Association of Suffolk, we are filing an original and six copies of its Responses to the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Request for Admission of Fact.

Please communicate with us if additional information is required.

Very truly yours,

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Norcom Communications Corporation)
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**RESPONSES OF THE
LMR 900 ASSOCIATION OF SUFFOLK
TO THE WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU'S
REQUEST FOR ADMISSION**

Lawrence T. Blass, Executive Officer of LMR 900 Association of Suffolk ("LMR 900"), hereby responds under affirmation to the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau's Request for Admissions of Fact in the above-referenced proceeding.

1. Admit
2. Deny. Norcom advanced some funds for the start-up of LMR 900.
3. Deny. See response to No. 2 above.
4. Deny. Norcom advanced funds to the Association for the payment of legal fees.
5. Deny. Norcom advanced funds for the payment of legal fees
- Nos. 6, 7 - See responses to Nos. 2, 3, 4, and 5.
8. Neither Admit nor Deny. The Association has a number of users of its facilities that have attributes of membership.
9. Neither Admit nor Deny. The Association was formed for the purpose of

providing radio communications service to any eligible user on a non-profit basis.

At that time, a number of entities had indicated interest in becoming users of the planned radio station.

Items 10 through 21.

Object: Although Respondent admits that Robert Nopper, along with others, participated in the activities described in the statements, Respondent had no way of knowing whether Mr. Nopper participated in his individual capacity or as principal of Norcom.

22. Admit

23. Admit

24. See response to No. 23

25. Admit

26. Neither admit nor deny. Do not have sufficient personal knowledge to either admit or deny.

27 & 28 See response to No. 26.

29. Admit

30. Deny

31. Neither admit nor deny. I have no knowledge concerning Norcom's use of accountants, attorneys or engineers.

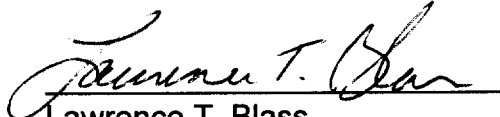
32. Deny. However, Norcom probably uses its office equipment in performing its duties under the management agreement with the Association.

33. See response to No. 32.

34. Have no facts on which to deny or admit. Under the management agreement, Norcom makes the facilities of the Station available to eligible entities for use on a non-profit basis.
35. Admit
36. Have no facts on which to deny or admit. Under the management agreement, Norcom makes the facilities of the Station available to eligible users on a non-profit basis. Selling air time on a for profit basis would be in violation of the management agreement.
37. Admit, but only pursuant to the management agreement and under the overall control of the Association.
38. Deny. Norcom may not use the facilities for its own purposes, except as a shared user or for the purpose of discharging its duties under the management agreement.
39. Deny. Only to the extent appropriate to provide the services required by the management agreement.
40. Deny
41. Admit, as required by the management agreement.
42. Admit. Norcom has paid expenses on behalf of the association pursuant to the management agreement.
43. Deny. There have been no profits from the operation of the Associations' Station. Norcom has collected from users the monthly pro-rata charges for the use of the Station.

44. Deny. Norcom has collected user contributions and has applied the funds collected toward reimbursing Norcom for funds advanced to the Association.
45. Deny. For an explanation of the response, see Respondent's letter to the Commission dated December 16, 1966, attached as Exhibit I.
46. Deny
47. Deny
48. Deny

Respectfully submitted,


Lawrence T. Blass
Executive Officer
LMR 900 Association of Suffolk

Date: 12/11/98

**Response of Laurence T. Blass
to FCC letter of inquiry
dated November 26, 1996**

Question (1): During a recent telephone conversation with a member of my staff you explained that you are no longer affiliated with LMRAS. When did you cease to be affiliated with LMRAS?

Answer: I believe I misspoke during my brief phone conversation with that member of your staff. While (because of pressures of other business and personal matters and since the station is operated by a management company) I have not devoted much time to the affairs of the Association, I have not ceased to be affiliated with it. I am still the Executive Officer of the Association. I recently signed and filed the application for the renewal of the Association's license for Station WNXT-323. See Attachment A.

Question (2): Did you transfer control of LMRAS and Business radio station WNXT-323 to another person? If so, to whom did you transfer control and how was the transfer accomplished?

Answer: No. The control of neither the Association nor of Station WNXT-323 has been transferred. The day-to-day operations of the station is managed by Norcom Communications under a managing agreement, but I am still the Association's Executive Officer.

Question (3): Who presently controls LMRAS and Business radio station WNXT-323?

Answer: I am the Association's Executive Officer and have the ultimate authority and control of the Association and Station WNXT-323.

Question (4): Furnish a list of all stations of any kind licensed to you or to any entity which you control or in which you are a principal or an officer.

Answer: WNXT-323, licensed to the Association
Amateur Station N2HPJ, licensed to Laurence T. Blass

Question (5): Furnish a current list of the members of the LMRAS, including the number of mobile units for each member.

Answer: See Attachment B

Question (6): Furnish copies of the written agreements, required by Section 90.179(d)6 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 90.179(d), between the LMRAS and each participant.

Answer: See Attachment C

Question (7): Who formed the LMRAS?

Answer: I did, with assistance from Mr. Robert Nopper.

Question (8): How was the LMRAS formed?

Answer: The Association was formed as a result of many discussions with other radio equipment sales representatives and with assistance and information concerning trunked radio systems from Mr. Nopper. I decided to form the Association after I was convinced that there was a need for alternatives for providing service to land mobile radio users and that the non-profit association approach was a permissible method.

Question (9): If you formed the LMRAS, did you do so either at Mr. Nopper's request or because you believed that Mr. Nopper wanted you to form it? If so, explain your answer.

Answer: I did not form the Association either at Mr. Nopper's request or because I believed that Mr. Nopper wanted me to form it.

Question (10): Who prepared each application that you submitted on behalf of the LMRAS?

Answer: I cannot recall for sure, but I believe counsel prepared it.

Question (11): Did you or the LMRAS make any attempt to obtain more favorable terms for the management of Business radio Station WNXT-323 than those offered by Mr. Nopper? If so, please provide complete details.

Answer: No.

Question (12): Who is paying your legal expenses in this matter?

Answer: The Association will pay my legal expenses as well as its own.

Question (13): Who is paying LMRAS's legal expenses in this matter?

Answer: The Association.

Question (14): Provide a copy of the LMRAS's Articles of Association.

Answer: See Attachment ~~Q~~ D

Question (15): Furnish a copy of the management agreement or contract under which Mr. Nopper manages Business radio Station WNXT-323.

Answer: See Attachment ~~D~~ E

Question (16): Have you derived any advantage whatsoever, financial or otherwise, as a result of the formation of the LMRAS? If so, please provide details.

Answer: None so far.

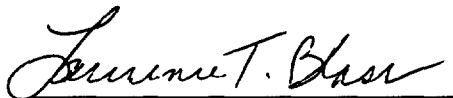
Question (17): If you hold a commercial operator license, furnish the class and number of the license.

Answer: I do not hold a commercial operator's license.

Question (18): Furnish any other information that you believe is pertinent.

Answer: Nothing further.

Very truly yours,



Laurence T. Blass
Executive Officer
LMR 900 Association of Suffolk

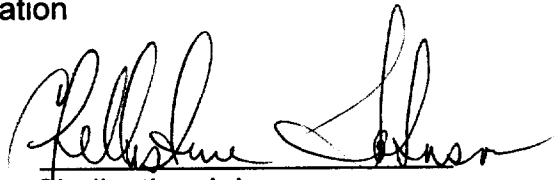
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Chellestine Johnson, a secretary in the law firm of Fletcher, Heald & Hildreth, P.L.C. do hereby certify that true copies of the foregoing Responses of the LMR 900 Association of Suffolk to the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau's Request for Admission were sent this 14th day of January, 1999, by first-class United States mail, postage prepaid, to the following:

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